

**JULY 21, 2008**MICHAEL W. DOBBINS  
CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT**United States Bankruptcy Court**NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
219 S. Dearborn Street  
Chicago, IL 60604

Kenneth S. Gardner, Bankruptcy Clerk

Date

7/21/2008Michael Dobbins, Clerk  
United States District Court  
Northern District of Illinois  
219 S Dearborn Street  
Chicago, IL 60604

Case Number

08A00198, 08B00427

Case Name

Chapa v Remos

Notice of Appeal Filed

5/23/2008

Appellant

Marissa Chapa

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to **Bankruptcy Rule 8007** transmitted herewith is the Record on Appeal. The Record on Appeal consist of:

Transmittal Letter and Civil Cover Sheet

Designation and Statement of Issues

Transcript of Proceeding

In Forma Pauperis

Notice of Appeal

Copy of Documents Designated

Exhibits

Expedited Notice of Appeal

Additional Items Included

Amended Designation of Content of the Record and Statement of Issues**FILED**


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The following items will be transmitted as a supplemental to the Record on Appeal

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JUDGE KENDALL  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE DENLOW**

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By Deputy Clerk

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
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IN RE: )  
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William Remos, ) Case No.: 08 BK 472  
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Debtor. ) Chapter 7  
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MARISSA CHAPA, ) Honorable Pamela S. Hollis  
 ) U.S. Bankruptcy Judge  
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Plaintiff, )  
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v. ) Adversary No. 08 A 198  
 )  
WILLIAM REMOS, )  
 )  
Defendant. )

**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO DISTRICT COURT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that Marissa Chapa, the Plaintiff, appeals under 28 U.S.C. 158(a)(1), from orders dated April 29, 2008 and May 13, 2008, attached hereto and order from May 22, 2008 announced in Court, of the Bankruptcy Judge Pamela S. Hollis, entered in the adversary proceeding, ordering: 1) the dismissal for want of prosecution; 2) denial of Plaintiff's Motion Vacate a Order of April 29, 2008, Reopening the adversary proceeding, and Reinstating her Complaint against Defendant; and 3) denial of Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider, respectively. (See Order, Exhibit 1 and Notice of Electronic Filing of Order, Exhibit 2).

Attached hereto is Plaintiff's Statement of Election, requesting her appeal to be heard by the District Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §158(c)(1). (See Statement, Exhibit 3).

The names of all other parties to the order appealed from and the names, address and telephone numbers of their respective attorneys are as follows:

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**CLOSED, APPEAL**

**U.S. Bankruptcy Court  
Northern District of Illinois (Chicago)  
Adversary Proceeding #: 08-00198  
Internal Use Only**

*Assigned to:* Pamela S. Hollis

*Date Filed:* 04/04/08

*Related BK Case:* 08-00472

*Date Terminated:* 04/30/08

*Related BK Title:* William P. Remos and

*Date Dismissed:* 04/29/08

Marissa Chapa

*Related BK Chapter:* 7

*Demand:*

*Nature[s] of Suit:* 62 Dischargeability - 523(a)(2),  
false pretenses, false representation, actual fraud  
68 Dischargeability - 523(a)(6),  
willful and malicious injury

**Plaintiff**

**Marissa Chapa**

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This is to certify that the within and attached document is a full, true and correct copy of the original thereof as the same appears on file in the office of the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

KENNETH S. GARDNER  
CLERK OF COURT

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy Clerk

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

7/21/08

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Filing Date	#	Docket Text
04/04/2008	①	Adversary case 08-00198. (62 (Dischargeability - 523(a)(2), false pretenses, false representation, actual fraud)), (68 (Dischargeability - 523(a)(6), willful and malicious injury)): Complaint by Marissa Chapa against William P. Remos. Fee Amount \$250. Status hearing to be held on 4/29/2008 at 10:30 AM at 219 South Dearborn, Courtroom 644, Chicago, Illinois 60604. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1# 2 Exhibit 2) (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 04/04/2008)
04/04/2008	②	<u>Summons Link</u> Summons Issued on William P. Remos Answer Due 05/5/2008 (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 04/04/2008)

04/07/2008	3	Receipt of Complaint(08-00198) [cmp,cmp] ( 250.00) Filing Fee. Receipt number 8595808. Fee Amount \$ 250.00 (U.S. Treasury) (Entered: 04/07/2008)
04/29/2008	•4	Order Dismissing Adversary Proceeding for want of prosecution. Signed on 4/29/2008 (Epps, Wanda) (Entered: 04/30/2008)
04/30/2008	•5	Adversary Case 1-08-ap-198 Closed . (Epps, Wanda) (Entered: 04/30/2008)
05/05/2008	•6	Notice of Motion and Motion to Vacate Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa. Hearing scheduled for 5/13/2008 at 10:00 AM at 219 South Dearborn, Courtroom 644, Chicago, Illinois 60604. (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 05/05/2008)
05/05/2008	•7	Notice of Motion Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa (RE: <u>6</u> Motion to Vacate). Hearing scheduled for 5/13/2008 at 10:00 AM at 219 South Dearborn, Courtroom 644, Chicago, Illinois 60604. (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 05/05/2008)
05/13/2008	•8	(E)Order Denying for the Reasons Stated on the Record Motion To Vacate (Related Doc # <u>6</u> ). Signed on 05/13/2008. (Austin, Lynda) (Entered: 05/13/2008)
05/19/2008	•9	Notice of Motion and First Motion for Relief from Judgment or Order Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa. Hearing scheduled for 5/22/2008 at 10:00 AM at 219 South Dearborn, Courtroom 644, Chicago, Illinois 60604. (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 05/19/2008)

05/19/2008	<u>•10</u>	Notice of Motion Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa (RE: <u>9</u> Motion for Relief from Judgment or Order). Hearing scheduled for 5/22/2008 at 10:00 AM at 219 South Dearborn, Courtroom 644, Chicago, Illinois 60604. (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 05/19/2008)
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05/20/2008	<u>•12</u>	Notice of Motion Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa (RE: <u>11</u> Motion to Approve,, <u>9</u> Motion for Relief from Judgment or Order). Hearing scheduled for 5/22/2008 at 10:00 AM at 219 South Dearborn, Courtroom 644, Chicago, Illinois 60604. (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 05/20/2008)
05/21/2008	<u>•13</u>	Attachment(s) Proposed Order Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa (RE: <u>11</u> Motion to Approve, ). (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 05/21/2008)
05/21/2008	<u>•14</u>	Appearance Filed by Thomas Twomey on behalf of William P. Remos. (Twomey, Thomas) (Entered: 05/21/2008)
05/23/2008	<u>•15</u>	Notice of Appeal to District Court. Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa. Fee Amount \$255 (RE: [8] Order on Motion to Vacate, <u>4</u> Order Dismissing Adversary Proceeding). Appellant Designation due by 6/2/2008. Transmission of

		Record Due by 7/2/2008. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Order of April 29, 2008# <u>2</u> Exhibit Notice of Electronic Filing of Order of May 13, 2008# <u>3</u> Exhibit Statement of Election)(Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 05/23/2008)
05/23/2008	16	Receipt of Notice of Appeal(08-00198) [appeal,ntcapl] ( 255.00) Filing Fee. Receipt number 8874437. Fee Amount \$ 255.00 (U.S. Treasury) (Entered: 05/23/2008)
05/27/2008	•17	(E)Order Denying for the Reasons Stated on the Record Motion for Relief from Judgment or Order (Related Doc # <u>9</u> ). Signed on 05/27/2008. (Austin, Lynda) (Entered: 05/27/2008)
05/27/2008	•18	Notice of Filing to Bk Judge and Parties on Service List (RE: <u>15</u> Notice of Appeal, ). (Henderson, LaToya) (Entered: 05/27/2008)
06/02/2008	•19	Appellant Designation of Contents for Inclusion in Record and Statement of Issue On Appeal Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa. (RE: <u>15</u> Notice of Appeal,, <u>18</u> Notice of Filing Re: Appeal). (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 06/02/2008)
06/02/2008	•20	Request for Transcript re: Appeal Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa. (RE: <u>15</u> Notice of Appeal,, <u>19</u> Appellant Designation and Statement of Issue, <u>18</u> Notice of Filing Re: Appeal). Transcript Due by 6/27/2008. (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 06/02/2008)
06/02/2008	•21	Notice of Filing Filed by Pete V Albanis on behalf of Marissa Chapa (RE: <u>19</u> Appellant Designation and Statement of Issue, <u>20</u> Request for Transcript re: Appeal). (Albanis, Pete) (Entered: 06/02/2008)

07/07/2008	•22	Appearance Filed by Katherine L Haennicke on behalf of Marissa Chapa. (Haennicke, Katherine) (Entered: 07/07/2008)
07/18/2008	•23	Appellant Designation of Contents for Inclusion in Record and Statement of Issue On Appeal Filed by Katherine L Haennicke on behalf of Marissa Chapa. (RE: <a href="#">19</a> Appellant Designation and Statement of Issue). (Haennicke, Katherine) (Entered: 07/18/2008)
07/18/2008	•24	Notice of Filing Filed by Katherine L Haennicke on behalf of Marissa Chapa (RE: <a href="#">23</a> Appellant Designation and Statement of Issue). (Haennicke, Katherine) (Entered: 07/18/2008)

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Dated: June 2, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

MARISSA CHAPA

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TO: **SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST**

Please take notice that on July 18, 2008 we electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, an **Amended Designation of the Content of the Record and Statement of Issues to be Presented on Appeal**, a copy of which is hereby served on to you.

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Dated: July 18, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

MARISSA CHAPA

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

Honorable Pamela S. Hollis

Hearing Date April 29, 2008

Bankruptcy Case No. 08 B 472

Adversary No. 08 A 198

Title of Case Marissa Chapa v. William P. Remos

Brief

Statement of Motion STATUS HEARING ON COMPLAINT

Names and Addresses of moving counsel

Representing

**ORDER**

For the reasons stated in open Court,

ENTER ORDERED that the complaint is dismissed for want of prosecution.

*Pamela S. Hollis*

cc: Pete V. Albanis (electronic notice)

William P. Remos

**EXHIBIT**

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION**

IN RE: ) Case No. 08 BK 472  
William Remos, ) Chapter 7  
Debtor. ) Honorable Pamela S. Hollis  
MARISSA CHAPA, ) U.S. Bankruptcy Judge  
Plaintiff, ) Adversary Proceeding No.  
v. )  
WILLIAM REMOS, )  
Defendant. )

**COMPLAINT TO DETERMINE DISCHARGEABILITY**

Marissa Chapa ("Chapa") for her Complaint against the Debtor/Defendant William Resmos ("Remos"), pursuant to Section 523(a)(2)(A) and (a)(6) of the United States Bankruptcy Code, state as follows:

**I. Jurisdiction and Venue**

1. This case was commenced on January 10, 2008 when Remos filed a Voluntary Petition under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.
2. Plaintiff Marissa Chapa is a resident of Wood Dale, Illinois and a creditor of Remos, as a result of a judgment obtained against Remos in the amount of \$16,517.30 plus interest and costs.

3. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter as a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1337(b)(2)(I) and venue is proper because the claim arose in the Northern District of Illinois.

**II. Factual Background**

4. Chapa is a creditor of Remos as a result of a state court judgment obtained against Remos in the amount of \$16,517.30 plus interest and costs, which was perfected through the service of a citation to discover assets on the judgment debtor.

5. Said judgment was entered in favor of the Chapa and against Remos in the case entitled *Chapa v. Remos*, Case No. 2007 M1 129859 in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, Municipal Division. Said judgment was granted on Counts I and II of Chapa's Complaint, alleging breach of promissory note and fraud. (The Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit 1).

6. On July 17, 2006, Chapa and Remos entered into a Promissory Note. (A true and accurate copy of the Note is attached as Exhibit A to the Complaint). Pursuant to the terms of the note Defendant was to pay \$9,000 plus 7% interest by December 17, 2006 or demand of money with a 30-day notice.

7. On July 27, 2006, Chapa and Remos amended to note to reflect additional amount borrowed by Remos. (A true and accurate copy of the Note is attached as Exhibit B to the Complaint). Pursuant to the terms of the note Defendant was to pay \$13,000 plus 7% interest by December 17, 2006 or demand of money with a 30 day notice.

8. On several occasions, Chapa demanded payment from Remos.

9. Remos breached his contractual obligations by unreasonably refusing to fulfill the terms and obligations under the Promissory note and refusing to pay the amount due and owing under the Promissory Note.

10. Remos willfully and intentionally mislead Chapa by misinforming her as to the following:

- (a) He intended to execute a loan in order to pay Chapa pursuant to the terms of the Promissory Note;
- (b) He needed to borrow an additional \$1200 in order to purchase insurance to cover the loan; and
- (c) He intended to use the additional \$1200 he borrowed from Chapa to secure the insurance and loan to pay her pursuant to the Promissory Note.

11. As a direct and proximate result of one or more of the aforementioned statements by Remos, Chapa lent an additional \$1,200 to Remos to secure the insurance and loan so that she could get paid.

12. Remos never intended to use the money to secure any insurance or any loan. Instead, upon information and belief, Remos used the money for other means.

13. The facts described above formed the basis for the judgment entered by the Circuit Court of Cook County in favor of Chapa and against Remos in the lawsuit described in Paragraph 5 above.

14. On May 31, 2007, the Illinois State Court entered a Judgment Order in favor of Chapa and against Remos on all counts of the Complaint in the amount of \$16,517.30, which remains unpaid. (Said judgment order is attached as Exhibit 2).

15. Remos was subsequently served with a Citation to Discover Assets with respect to said judgment to appear on October 24, 2007. Said Citation was filed on October 3, 2007.

16. Upon borrowing the original amount, Remos represented to Chapa that he was going to use the funds to pay off a tax liability debt owed to the Internal Revenue Service.

17. Upon information and belief, Remos did not pay off any monies owed to the IRS.

18. Remos maliciously and willfully defrauded Chapa by intentionally representing that he was using the funds to pay off the IRS debt, but instead used them for his personal benefit. Remos maliciously and willfully defrauded Chapa again by intentionally representing he was borrowing additional money to secure a loan to pay off the entire amount owed to Chapa.

**COUNT I**  
**(Complaint To Determine Dischargeability Of Debt)**  
**11 U.S.C. § 523 (a)(2)(A) and (a)(6)**

19. Section 523 (a)(2)(A) prevents a debtor from receiving a discharge with respect to any debt:

(2) for money, property, services, or an extension, renewal or refinancing of credit, to the extent obtained by –

(A) false pretenses, a false representation or actual fraud, other than a statement respecting the debtor's or an insider's financial condition;

20. Section 523(a)(6) prevents a debtor from receiving a discharge with respect to any debt:

(6) for willful and malicious injury by the debtor to another entity or to the property of another entity.

21. Remos represented that the original funds he borrowed was to pay off a tax liability to the Internal Revenue Service. In addition, Remos represented that the additional money he was borrowing was to secure a loan to pay off his debt to Chapa.

22. Chapa relied on Remos's representations that he would pay off the IRS and subsequently, that he was obtaining a loan to pay off Chapa. Remos never intended to pay off the IRS liability or to obtain a loan to pay Chapa.

23. The actions of Remos were taken with the intent to deceive and defraud Chapa and to hinder, delay and defraud her out of her rights.

24. As a result, the Illinois State Court entered judgment in favor of the Chapa and against Remos in the amount of \$16,517.30 plus costs.

25. As a result of this bankruptcy, new information has come to light to show additional fraud. Remos represented to Chapa that he was borrowing the funds to pay of a debt to the IRS

26. Chapa has demonstrated all of the necessary elements to establish that said judgment constitutes an exception to discharge pursuant to Sections 523(a)(2)(A) and 523(a)(6) of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

WHEREFORE, Marissa Chapa prays that an order be entered directing that the judgment entered in favor of her and against William Remos in the amount of \$16,517.30 plus interest, costs and attorneys' fees, be held non-dischargeable and for such further relief as this Court deems proper.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY  
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - MUNICIPAL DIVISION

MARISSA CHAPA, )  
                     )  
                     Plaintiff, )  
                     )  
                     v.     ) No.                 20071129859  
                     )                     CALENDAR/ROOM 1102  
                     WILLIAM REMOS, ) Amount Claimed: \$13,000 + interest, costs and  
                     ) attorney's fees  
                     Defendant.     ) *ED: 5/24*

COMPLAINT

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NOW COMES the Plaintiff, MARISSA CHAPA, by and through her attorneys, TRESSLER SODERSTROM MALONEY & PRIESS LLP, and for its Complaint for Breach of Contract, and Common Law Fraud against the Defendant, WILLIAM REMOS, complains as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE ALLEGATIONS

1. Plaintiff, Marissa Chapa, ("Chapa"), is an individual residing in Wood Dale, IL 60191.
2. Defendant, William Remos ("Defendant") is an individual, upon information and belief, residing at 5774 N. Oleander; Chicago, Illinois 60631.
3. This Court has proper jurisdiction over the Defendant pursuant to 735 ILCS §5/2-209 as he resides within the State of Illinois.
4. Venue is proper in this court pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-101.



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**BACKGROUND**

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6. On July 27, 2006, Chapa and Remos amended to note to reflect additional amount borrowed by Remos. (A true and accurate copy of the Note is attached as Exhibit B and incorporated herein). Pursuant to the terms of the note Defendant was to pay \$13,000 plus 7% interest by December 17, 2006 or demand of money with a 30 day notice.

7. On several occasions, Chapa demanded payment from Remos.

8. On December 19, 2006, a letter was sent to Remos demanding payment pursuant to the terms of the Promissory note. (A Copy of that letter is attached hereto as Exhibit C). Counsel sent another letter on February 15, 2007. (A Copy of that letter is attached hereto as Exhibit D).

9. As of March 15, 2007, Remos has not yet paid pursuant to the terms of the July 27, 2006 Promissory Note.

**COUNT I**  
**BREACH OF CONTRACT**

10. Chapa adopts and realleges Paragraph 1 through 9 of this Complaint as though fully set forth herein.

11. At all times, Chapa has fulfilled her obligations under the Promissory note.

12. Remos breached his contractual obligations by unreasonably refusing to fulfill the terms and obligations under the Promissory note and refusing to pay the amount due and owing under the Promissory Note.

13. As a result of this breach, Chapa had been damaged due to the failure to pay the original amount plus interest.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, MARISSA CHAPA, respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment in her favor and against Defendant, WILLIAM REMOS in an amount in excess of \$13,000 as required by the terms of the Promissory Note plus interest and costs and for such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

**COUNT II**  
**COMMON LAW FRAUD**

14. Plaintiff incorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 13 above as though fully set forth hereing .

15. Upon information and belief, Remos willfully and intentionally mislead Chapa by misinforming her as to the following:

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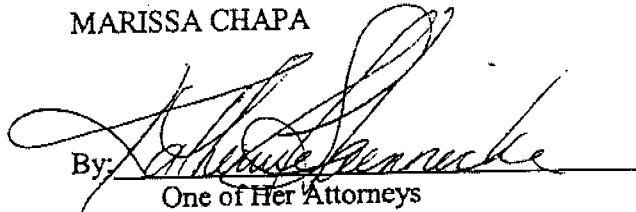
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18. As a direct and proximate result of one or more of the aforementioned statements by Remos, Chapa also was forced to incur attorneys' fees and costs in pursuing this lawsuit.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, MARISSA CHAPA respectfully requests for judgment to be entered against WILLIAM REMOS for an amount to be determined at trial plus costs, attorneys' fees and any other relief this Court may deem just.

MARISSA CHAPA

  
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**Promissory Note**

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In the event that the sum is not paid back in the allotted time and the matter is taken to court, William Remos will also pay back any extra interest incurred, time lost from work and attorney fees.

Date of money issued: July 17, 2006

Location:  
Bensenville, IL 60106

Name of borrower:

William Remos  
5774 N. Oleander  
Chicago, IL 60631

Signature: 

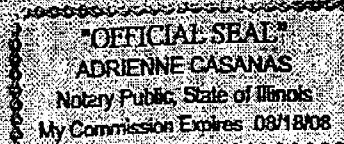
Name of lender:

Marissa Chapa  
429 N. Hemlock  
Wood Dale, IL 60191

Signature: 

Witness name: Adrienne Casanas

Witness signature: 



Promissory Note (updated)

I, William Remos, 5774 N. Oleander Chicago, Illinois 60631, individually promise to pay back to the order of Marissa Chapa, 429 N. Hemlock, Wood Dale, IL 60191, the total amount of \$11,000.00 plus 7% interest by December 17, 2006 or demand of money within 30 day notice.

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Date of money issued: July 27, 2006

Location:

Bensenville, IL 60106

Name of borrower:

William Remos  
5774 N. Oleander  
Chicago, IL 60631

Signature:

Witness name: Adrienne Casanas

Witness signature:

Name of lender:

Marissa Chapa  
429 N. Hemlock  
Wood Dale, IL 60191

Signature:

EXHIBIT

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December 19, 2006

**VIA U.S. MAIL -RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. William Remos  
5774 N. Oleander  
Chicago, Illinois 60631

Re: Promissory Note dated July 27, 2006

Dear Mr. Remos:

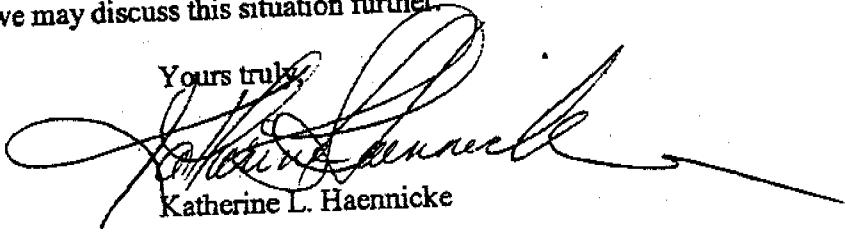
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In one last final attempt to resolve this amicably, please contact me, either directly or through counsel by December 22, 2006 so that we may discuss this situation further.

Yours truly,

  
Katherine L. Haennicke

CC: Ms. Marissa Chapa (via e-mail)  
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February 15, 2007

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Chicago, Illinois 60631

Re: Promissory Note dated July 27, 2006

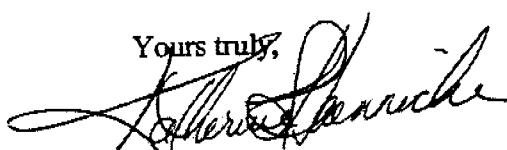
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
MUNICIPAL DISTRICTLINE NO. 87No. 07 M 129859ChapaKemps

## TRIAL CALL ORDER

Present before the Court:  Plaintiff(s)  Defendant(s)  Plaintiff(s)' Counsel  Defendant(s)' Counsel

THIS MATTER having come before the Court, the Court having jurisdiction and being fully advised,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

4213  Alias Summons to Issue for \_\_\_\_\_

4292  Amended Complaint or Petition - Allowed \_\_\_\_\_

4295  Close Discovery - Allowed \_\_\_\_\_

4235  File Counterclaim or Cross Complaint - Allowed \_\_\_\_\_

4234  File Appearance or Jury Demand Answer or Plead Allowed \_\_\_\_\_

4219  Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ is defaulted; cause set for

4247  PROVE-UP on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m.

4406  Set for STATUS. All parties must appear \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ m. in Room \_\_\_\_\_

4482  Set for TRIAL on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ m. in Room \_\_\_\_\_

8005  Case Dismissed for Want of Prosecution

8011  Case Dismissed by Agreement of Parties/No Cost  With  Without Prejudice

8031  X-Parte Default Judgment for Plaintiff for \$ 16,517.30 v. Kemps (Defendant)

8001  Judgment for Plaintiff after trial for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ with costs assessed v. \_\_\_\_\_ (Defendant)

4293  Assess Costs - Allowed

8002  Judgment for Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ after trial

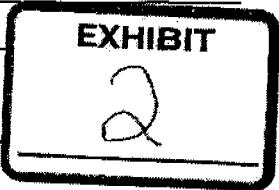
9207  it being further agreed that installment payments be made as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

( )  
9208  Order Final and Appealable( )  See Attached Order: \_\_\_\_\_

4304 The date of \_\_\_\_\_ is hereby stricken.

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Judge Lawrence O'...  


Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

MAY 31 2007

Court - 1850

Judge

Judge's No.

**U.S. Bankruptcy Court  
Northern District of Illinois**

In re:

**WILLIAM P. REMOS AND MARISSA CHAPA**

Debtor

Bankruptcy Case No. 08-00472

**MARISSA CHAPA**

Plaintiff

Adversary Proceeding No. 08-00198

v.  
**WILLIAM P. REMOS**

Defendant

**SUMMONS IN AN ADVERSARY PROCEEDING**

YOU ARE SUMMONED and required to submit a motion or answer to complaint which is attached to this summon to the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court within 30 days from the date of issuance of this summons, except that the United States and its offices and agencies shall submit a motion or answer to the complaint within 35 days of issuance.

**Address of Clerk**

**Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court  
Northern District of Illinois  
219 S Dearborn  
Chicago, IL 60604**

At the same time, you must also serve a copy of the motion or answer upon the plaintiff's attorney:

**Name and Address of Plaintiff's Attorney**

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If you make a motion, your time to answer is governed by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 7012.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a status hearing has been set at the following time and place:

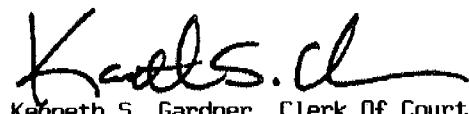
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**Status Hearing Date and Time  
04/29/2008 at 10:30AM**

IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS, YOUR FAILURE WILL BE DEEMED TO BE YOUR CONSENT TO ENTRY OF A JUDGEMENT BY THE BANKRUPTCY COURT AND JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.



  
Kenneth S. Gardner, Clerk Of Court

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

Honorable Pamela S. Hollis

Hearing Date April 29, 2008

Bankruptcy Case No. 08 B 472

Adversary No. 08 A 198

Title of Case Marissa Chapa v. William P. Remos

Brief Statement of Motion STATUS HEARING ON COMPLAINT

Names and Addresses of moving counsel

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**ORDER**

For the reasons stated in open Court,

ENTER ORDERED that the complaint is dismissed for want of prosecution.

*Pamela S. Hollis*

cc: Pete V. Albanis (electronic notice)

William P. Remos

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION**

IN RE:	)	
	)	
William Remos,	)	Case No. 08 BK 472
Debtor.	)	Chapter 7
<hr/> MARISSA CHAPA,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	Honorable Pamela S. Hollis
	)	U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
v.	)	Adversary No. 08 A 198
WILLIAM REMOS,	)	
Defendant.	)	

**MOTION TO VACATE ORDER OF APRIL 29, 2008,  
REOPEN ADVERSARY PROCEEDING AND REINSTATE COMPLAINT**

NOW COMES Plaintiff, MARISSA CHAPA ("Chapa"), moves this Honorable Court to vacate the Order of April 29, 2008, Reopen Adversary Proceeding, and Reinstate the Complaint against Defendant, WILLIAM REMOS ("Remos"). In support of such motion states as follows:

**I.        INTRODUCTION**

1.       On April 4, 2008, Chapa filed the lawsuit against Remos.
2.       This matter was set for a return date of April 29, 2008 and an initial status date of April 29, 2008.
3.       Due to an unintentional oversight, counsel for Chapa failed to appear at the hearing on April 29, 2009.
4.       Chapa respectfully requests that the DWP entered on April 29, 2008 be vacated, the adversary proceeding be reopened and that her Complaint against Remos be reinstated.

5. Counsel spoke to Judge Hollis' courtroom deputy and she informed counsel that the case was dismissed for want of prosecution and advised counsel to file a motion to vacate the DWP.

6. Remos will not be prejudiced by the granting of this motion as Remos has yet to file an answer to the Complaint.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, MARISSA CHAPA prays for an order from this Honorable Court vacating the order of April 29, 2008, reopening the adversary proceeding, and reinstating her Complaint against Defendant, WILLIAM REMOS.

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William Remos,	)	Case No. 08 BK 472
Debtor.	)	Chapter 7
<hr/> MARISSA CHAPA,	)	
	)	Honorable Pamela S. Hollis
Plaintiff,	)	U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
	)	
v.	)	Adversary No. 08 A 198
	)	
WILLIAM REMOS,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

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**PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE  
COURT'S MAY 13, 2008 ORDER DENYING HER MOTION TO  
VACATE ORDER OF APRIL 29, 2008, REOPEN ADVERSARY PROCEEDING  
AND REINSTATE COMPLAINT**

Plaintiff, MARISSA CHAPA ("Chapa"), hereby moves this Honorable Court to Reconsider its May 13, 2008 order pursuant to Rule 60(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Motion to Vacate the Order of April 29, 2008, Reopen Adversary Proceeding, and Reinstate the Complaint against Defendant, WILLIAM REMOS ("Remos"). In support of such motion states as follows:

**INTRODUCTION**

1. On April 4, 2008, Plaintiff filed her adversary proceeding against the debtor, William Remos.
2. Upon filing the motion, secretary for counsel to the Plaintiff did not get the

payment screen. Upon contacting the clerk, secretary for counsel to the Plaintiff was informed she would have to bring a check to the Northern District of Illinois Bankruptcy Court as soon as possible. Counsel also learned that the date for the appearance on the status of the summons may be changed.

3. Shortly after receiving the April 29, 2008 order, counsel filed a Motion to Vacate the order, reopen adversary proceedings and reinstate complaint. The motion was filed on May 5, 2008, which was the fourth business day after the order was entered.

4. The hearing for the Motion to Vacate was set for May 13, 2008. At this hearing, counsel for the debtor stated that they did not receive proper notice because they had yet to appear or answer in the adversary proceeding.

5. Counsel for the debtor also argued that to allow this matter would be outside the time of filing the adversary proceeding, and therefore the motion to vacate should not be granted due to the purported prejudice to defendant.

6. Lastly, the Court relied on the fact that counsel for the Plaintiff mistakenly did not appear on April 29, 2008.

### ARGUMENT

7. Rule 41 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure applies to adversary proceedings. Fed.Rul.Bank.P. 7041. Therefore case law regarding Fed.R.Civ.P. 41 is applicable in the matter at hand.

8. Dismissal for want of prosecution is an "undeniably harsh sanction, having the procedural effect of an adjudication on the merits against the plaintiff." *In the Matter of Bluestein & Co.*, 68 F.3d 1022, 1025 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1995). This penalty is so severe that it must be allowed only in extreme situations such as when there is a "clear record of delay or

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9. In addition, the Seventh Circuit has repeatedly held that the district court may not dismiss a case for want of prosecution without first providing an explicit warning to the plaintiff. *Sharif v. Wellness Intern. Network, Ltd.*, 376 F.3d 720 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2004).

10. It was a manifest error of law or fact and/or a mistake by the Court to dismiss this cause of action without an explicit warning to the Plaintiff and to not grant Plaintiff's Motion to Vacate the Dismissal and reopen the proceedings.

11. First, the Court entertained the objections of a party who, by their own admission, had not appeared or answered in this matter. The party therefore did not have standing to object. Additionally, this party clearly would not have been prejudiced by the granting of the motion to vacate as it was still within the time period for the debtor to answer or otherwise plead.

12. Although the time to file an adversary proceeding had passed, this argument is a red herring. The adversary proceeding in question was filed within the appropriate time period. The Court would be reopening the original matter, not allowing a new matter to be filed. The matter at hand would relate back to the original adversary complaint, not any newly filed complaint.

13. Lastly, counsel inadvertently missed the first court date. Due to system errors, the original date of April 29, 2008 was not docketed within counsel's docketing system. As such, counsel was unaware of the appearance date. Counsel sincerely apologizes to the Court for missing the very first status date in the adversary proceedings, but affirmatively states that it was not intentional.

14. Clearly the above mistake does not rise to the level of "*clear record of delay or contumacious conduct*" and other less drastic sanctions have not proven unavailing as no other sanctions have occurred in this matter. This was the first time counsel committed an inadvertent mistake of not appearing in court for the very first status appearance.

15. Counsel affirmatively states that the facts in this motion are true and accurate to the best of their knowledge.

**CONCLUSION**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Marissa Chapa, respectfully requests that this Court grant her Motion To Reconsider, enter an order vacating the April 29, 2008 order, Reopen Adversary Proceeding, and Reinstate the Complaint against Defendant, and for such additional relief that this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: This 19th day of May, 2008.

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**PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE  
COURT'S MAY 13, 2008 ORDER**

Plaintiff, MARISSA CHAPA ("Chapa"), hereby moves this Honorable Court to Reconsider its May 13, 2008 order pursuant to Rule 60(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in which it denied her Motion to Vacate the Order of April 29, 2008, Reopen Adversary Proceeding, and Reinstate the Complaint against Defendant, WILLIAM REMOS ("Remos"). In support of such motion states as follows:

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**CONCLUSION**

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Dated: This 20th day of May, 2008.

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**PROPOSED ORDER**

THIS CAUSE, having come before the Court on the Matter of Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider, due notice having been given and the Court fully advised of the premises herein:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider is granted.
2. The Court vacates its Order of April 29, 2008 and vacates the dismissal for want of prosecution.
3. The Court hereby reopens the Adversary Proceeding of Chapa v. Remos, 08 AP 198.
4. The Court reinstates the complaint filed by Chapa against Remos.

**BY THE COURT**

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Honorable Pamela Hollis

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

APPEARANCE

United States Bankruptcy Court

For the Northern District of Illinois

In re

Debtor\*

William Remos

} No. 08 A 00198

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY FILE MY APPEARANCE AS ATTORNEY FOR

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO DISTRICT COURT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that Marissa Chapa, the Plaintiff, appeals under 28 U.S.C. 158(a)(1), from orders dated April 29, 2008 and May 13, 2008, attached hereto and order from May 22, 2008 announced in Court, of the Bankruptcy Judge Pamela S. Hollis, entered in the adversary proceeding, ordering: 1) the dismissal for want of prosecution; 2) denial of Plaintiff's Motion Vacate a Order of April 29, 2008, Reopening the adversary proceeding, and Reinstating her Complaint against Defendant; and 3) denial of Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider, respectively. (See Order, Exhibit 1 and Notice of Electronic Filing of Order, Exhibit 2).

Attached hereto is Plaintiff's Statement of Election, requesting her appeal to be heard by the District Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §158(c)(1). (See Statement, Exhibit 3).

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Brief Statement of Motion STATUS HEARING ON COMPLAINT

Names and Addresses of moving counsel

Representing

**ORDER**

For the reasons stated in open Court,

ENTER ORDERED that the complaint is dismissed for want of prosecution.

*Pamela S. Hollis*

cc: Pete V. Albanis (electronic notice)

William P. Remos

EXHIBIT

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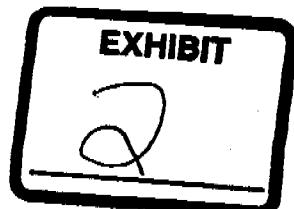
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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

IN RE: )  
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William Remos, ) Case No.: 08 BK 472  
 )  
Debtor. ) Chapter 7  
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MARISSA CHAPA, )  
 ) Honorable Pamela S. Hollis  
Plaintiff, ) U.S. Bankruptcy Judge  
 )  
v. ) Adversary No. 08 A 198  
 )  
WILLIAM REMOS, )  
 )  
Defendant. )

**STATEMENT OF ELECTION**

NOW COMES Plaintiff, MARISSA CHAPA ("Chapa"), for her Statement of Election, requests that her appeal be heard by the District Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §158(c)(1).

Respectfully submitted,

MARISSA CHAPA

By: /s/ Panagiotis Albanis  
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**United States Bankruptcy Court**  
**NORTIERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**  
**219 S Dearborn Street**  
**Chicago, IL 60604**  
**Kenneth S. Gardner, Bankruptcy Clerk**

Date	<u>05/27/2008</u>
Case Number	<u>Chapa v Rernos</u>
Case Name	<u>08 A 198</u>
Notice of Appeal Filed	<u>5/23/2008</u>
Notice of Cross Appeal Filed	<u>          </u>

Dear Sir/Madam:

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- ▶ A Designation of the Content of the Record on Appeal
- ▶ A Statement of the Issues to be presented on Appeal

If the above are not filed within the ten (10) day time period as provided by **Bankruptcy Rule 8006**, the appeal will not be perfected.

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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

Chapa v. Remos, ) No. 08 B 00427  
 ) No. 08 A 00198  
 ) Chicago, Illinois  
 ) 10:00 a.m.  
 ) May 13, 2008

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE  
HONORABLE JUDGE PAMELA S. HOLLIS

## APPEARANCES:

For Marissa Chapa: Mr. Pete V. Albanis  
For Adversary Plaintiff: Ms. Tiffany Quinn;

Court Reporter: Nicole Abbate  
U.S. Courthouse  
219 South Dearborn  
Room 661  
Chicago, IL 60604.

1                   THE CLERK: William and Marissa Chapa.  
2 08 B 472 and 08 A 198.

3                   MR. ALBANIS: Good morning, Your  
4 Honor. Pete Albanis on behalf of the adversary  
5 plaintiff.

6                   MS. QUINN: Tiffany Quinn on behalf of  
7 debtor.

8                   THE COURT: I've got your motion.

9                   The case appears to be closed.

10                  We don't need a reopening fee.

11                  THE CLERK: I need a reopening fee for  
12 further hearing if you grant it.

13                  MS. QUINN: Your Honor, I'm opposing  
14 the motion to vacate.

15                  The moving creditor, you know, did not  
16 show up on the status hearing so it was dismissed.

17                  They allege in the motion that my  
18 client will not be prejudiced since the deadline to  
19 file the complaint has passed. Obviously if this  
20 most is granted, my client, you know, would be to his  
21 detriment.

22                  Also, I'm alleging that notice was  
23 insufficient in the motion to vacate. The  
24 certificate of service states that we are noticed via

1 the ECF system.

2                   However, since the case was dismissed  
3 prior to our answer being due, we never filed a  
4 notice of appearance. So we are not on the ECF  
5 system.

6                   Under this case number, my client was  
7 not served notice. I don't think anyone received  
8 notice.

9                   THE COURT: Mr. Albanis.

10                  MR. ALBANIS: Judge, the reason that  
11 we didn't appear on April 29th was because of an  
12 inadvertent error.

13                  What happened was when we filed our  
14 adversary complaint on April 3rd, we didn't receive  
15 the payment screen for the filing system.

16                  So we contacted the filing clerk and  
17 we were advised that the case set for April 29th  
18 would be reset for a later date.

19                  THE COURT: Hold on.

20                  What clerk advised you of that?

21                  MR. ALBANIS: I believe it was the  
22 E-filing -- the ECF.

23                  THE COURT: So they told you you  
24 didn't have to appear?

1                   MR. ALBANIS: They told us they were  
2 going to reset the case for another -- for another  
3 date, Judge.

4                   THE COURT: That doesn't happen,  
5 counsel. And I'd be very surprised if the clerk's  
6 office told you that.

7                   Did you speak to them directly?

8                   MR. ALBANIS: I did not. My secretary  
9 spoke to them, Judge.

10                  THE COURT: You should be very careful  
11 when you inform this court because they don't do that  
12 kind of stuff.

13                  Unfortunately, we get a lot of "Ken  
14 Gardner's staff told me this," and then we go back  
15 and check with Ken Gardner and that never happened.  
16 And I doubt very seriously they told you they were  
17 going to reset something that was before this court.

18                  THE CLERK: All I know, Judge, is that  
19 they go by the date on the summons, and the summons  
20 was issued on the date when the attorney filed it.

21                  THE COURT: I'm going to deny your  
22 motion to vacate. The case is dismissed based on the  
23 objections of the debtor. The debtor will be  
24 prejudiced. The debtor incurred damages, the debtor

1 showed up. You guys didn't show up. You know, now  
2 you're saying the clerk told your secretary you  
3 didn't have to show up.

4                   The motion is denied.

5                   MS. QUINN: Thank you, Your Honor.

6                   (Which were all the proceedings had in  
7 the above-entitled cause, May 13, 2008, 10:00 a.m.)

8 I, NICOLE ABBATE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY  
9 THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND ACCURATE  
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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

William Remos, ) No. 08 A 198  
Debtor. ) Chicago, Illinois  
              ) 10:30 a.m.  
              ) April 29, 2008

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE  
HONORABLE PAMELA HOLLIS

APPEARANCES:

For the Debtor: Ms. Tiffany Quinn;

Court Reporter: Amy Doolin, CSR, RPR  
U.S. Courthouse  
219 South Dearborn  
Room 661  
Chicago, IL 60604.

1                           THE CLERK: William Remos, 08 B 472,  
2 and, 08 A 198.

3                           MS. QUINN: Good morning, Your Honor.  
4 Tiffany Quinn on behalf of the debtor.

5                           Your Honor, our answer is due May 5th,  
6 so I was hoping we could continue this status  
7 hearing. I have not spoken with moving counsel.

8                           THE COURT: Okay. So you want until  
9 when?

10                          MS. QUINN: Our answer is due May 5th.

11                          THE COURT: Well, where is the  
12 plaintiff?

13                          MS. QUINN: I don't know. I have not  
14 spoken with him.

15                          THE COURT: Normally when they are not  
16 here, I dismiss for want of prosecution. I mean,  
17 this is their lawsuit, right?

18                          MS. QUINN: Correct.

19                          THE COURT: Did you get any calls?

20                          THE CLERK: No, Judge.

21                          THE COURT: Is this a pro se or was it  
22 done by an attorney?

23                          MS. QUINN: An attorney.

24                          THE COURT: Well, what do you want to  
25 do? I will give you your choice. I would be

1 inclined to dismiss it for want of prosecution.

2 MS. QUINN: I would not oppose that.

3 THE COURT: All right. Dismissed.

4 MS. QUINN: Thank you, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: You're welcome.

6 (Which were all the proceedings had in  
7 the above-entitled cause, April 29,  
8 2008, 10:30 a.m.)

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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

William Remos, ) No. 08 A 198  
                  ) Chicago, Illinois  
                  ) 10:00 a.m.  
Debtor.          ) May 22, 2008

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE  
HONORABLE PAMELA HOLLIS

APPEARANCES:

For the Debtor: Ms. Tiffany Quinn;

For Marissa Chapa: Ms. Katherine Haennicke;

Court Reporter: Amy Doolin, CSR, RPR  
U.S. Courthouse  
219 South Dearborn  
Room 661  
Chicago, IL 60604.

1                   THE CLERK: William Remos, 08 A 198,  
2 Chapa v. Remos.

3                   MS. HAENNICKE: Good morning, Your  
4 Honor. Katherine Haennicke on behalf of Marissa  
5 Chapa. I apologize for the voice.

6                   MS. QUINN: Tiffany Quinn on behalf of  
7 the debtor.

8                   THE COURT: Okay.

9                   MS. HAENNICKE: Judge, I'm here on our  
10 motion to reconsider.

11                  THE COURT: Right. Motion to  
12 reconsider the motion to reconsider is what it is.

13                  And here's what really, really got me  
14 on this one, was this statement that it was the clerk  
15 who told you you didn't have to appear on the status.  
16 And that was what was represented to me, and I know  
17 that isn't the case. And now the motion is a little  
18 bit different. It is saying maybe the status might  
19 be changed, so I am not getting the straight deal  
20 from you folks.

21                  MS. HAENNICKE: What had occurred was  
22 when we had filed, unfortunately, due to the  
23 software, our pop-up screen to pay did not come up  
24 and, therefore, we had to have a check issued. When  
25 the clerk called to inform us that it hadn't gone

1 through, they had said that the summons date would  
2 change.

3                   When we went to go pay on that Monday  
4 and actually brought a physical check to the clerk,  
5 they had said that the summons date may change, and  
6 so that's where the confusion was. Then when the  
7 date came up, we were not aware of it. We sincerely  
8 apologize to the court for not appearing.

9                   THE COURT: That's not what's  
10 troubling me. It's that I don't think it was  
11 represented to me accurately as to why there was a  
12 mistake. You probably would have had your motion  
13 granted had you not said the clerk told us we didn't  
14 have to show up.

15                  MS. HAENNICKE: Right.

16                  THE COURT: I know that's not the  
17 case. The clerk doesn't do that. I have discussions  
18 with the clerk all the time about that. And it's a  
19 matter of a situation where attorneys like to do that  
20 when it is their error. They like to turn around and  
21 blame it on the clerk.

22                  On the other hand, we have a situation  
23 where I think I generally agree with the case  
24 authority that's been cited. It is a drastic remedy.  
25 And I would have granted your motion but for what I

1      felt was not a proper representation to the court.  
2      So that's where I am hung up, if you would like to  
3      respond.

4                 MS. QUINN: Your Honor, yes. I do  
5      still oppose the motion to reconsider. In paragraph  
6      11 they state that I do not have standing to object  
7      because we have not appeared yet. The case was  
8      closed. I didn't know you could even file an  
9      appearance in a closed case.

10                But I think that strengthens the  
11     argument that the motion to vacate was properly  
12     denied. There was no notice of that motion. Nobody  
13     was served notice. The debtor is not even listed on  
14     the service list. So there was notice of --

15                THE COURT: That was the first thing I  
16     brought up. I don't have proper notice.

17                MS. QUINN: And then even on this  
18     motion, I'm once again going to allege improper  
19     notice. By their own admission when they filed this  
20     current motion we had still not filed our appearance.  
21     The debtor was served notice via U.S. mail only. You  
22     cannot notice a motion out for two days and send the  
23     only party in interest mail -- I mean, notice through  
24     U.S. mail.

25                MS. HAENNICKE: This was the second

1 notice. Unfortunately, as I had spoken to  
2 Mr. Austin, this -- when I talked to Ms. Epps, she  
3 had informed me that when we filed it on Monday we  
4 had filed it under the wrong code, and so, therefore,  
5 we had to refile on Tuesday under a different code.

6 And that's what the difference was.  
7 When we refiled it, that's when we did go ahead and  
8 put the debtor in because of the appearance of  
9 counsel at the last court appearance. That's why we  
10 included counsel. And we did fax them and they have  
11 proper notice.

12 MS. QUINN: I'm alleging the debtor  
13 never received notice. On the notice that they  
14 mailed out the 19th, debtor once again was not on the  
15 certificate of service. When they renoticed the  
16 motion on the 20th, they sent debtor notice through  
17 U.S. mail. We didn't file our appearance until  
18 yesterday.

19 So when they sent out notice, we were  
20 not representing the debtor, according to their own  
21 admission and their allegation in paragraph 11. So I  
22 would still say the debtor was not sent proper  
23 notice. Our notice arrived at 6:20 p.m. the day  
24 before, so I would still like -- we only had one-day  
25 notice.

1                   THE COURT: Well, okay. You only had  
2 one-day notice. This is a drastic remedy. I'm  
3 really ticked, I got to tell you. I do not like it  
4 when I am not told the truth, and I don't think I  
5 was. And that principally was driving -- not to --  
6 also setting aside the fact that there wasn't notice,  
7 and I pointed that out right at the beginning, that  
8 notice wasn't proper. And now that time periods have  
9 gone by -- and it doesn't sound like it's still been  
10 corrected.

11                  Can you file some authority in  
12 response?

13                  MS. QUINN: Yes, if you would like,  
14 Your Honor. Yes, we would like time to --

15                  THE COURT: Yes. I'd like for you to  
16 file a written response, because I'm very leary of  
17 granting the motion to reconsider the reconsider.

18                  MS. HAENNICKE: But, Your Honor, the  
19 other thing, too, is if you would like, we would be  
20 more than happy to renoteice it with all the parties  
21 via U.S. mail and we can continue --

22                  THE COURT: I'm not going to tell you  
23 how to practice law. You know, I'm going to let  
24 counsel say what she wants to say and then you do  
25 what you think is appropriate. If you think there is

1 MS. HAENNICKE: That's what we're  
2 trying to seek, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Have you paid -- they  
4 don't need to.

5 THE CLERK: No, not in the adversary.

6 THE COURT: So the adversary has been  
7 closed. The underlying case is closed.

8 MS. QUINN: Correct. Right. And the  
9 motion to vacate had no proper service.

10 THE COURT: I'm not going to file any  
11 briefs. I'm just denying this motion. That's the  
12 proper way to do it. This just has not occurred  
13 correctly. So it would be inappropriate for me to  
14 set a briefing schedule when service isn't proper.

15 Okay. So the motion is denied.

16 MS. QUINN: Thank you, Your Honor.

17 MS. HAENNICKE: Thank you, Your Honor.  
18 (Which were all the proceedings had in  
19 the above-entitled cause, May 22,  
20 2008, 10:00 a.m.)

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